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**VIA ECF**

Hon. Brenda K. Sannes, Chief U.S. District Judge  
Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse  
P.O. Box 7336  
Syracuse NY 13261-7336

Re: *Alaei v. SUNY Albany*  
*Northern District of New York*  
*21-CV-377 (BKS/TWD)*

Dear Hon. Judge Sannes:

As the Court is aware, there is currently a pre-trial conference in this matter scheduled for August 25, 2025, at 10:00 A.M. in Syracuse, New York. Please accept this correspondence as Defendant's request for the conference to be re-scheduled for the following week, September 2, 2025.<sup>1</sup> The reason for this request is that I am trial counsel in a case that has just been scheduled for trial by Judge D'Agostino beginning on August 25, 2025. The case is *Holley v. Spinner et al.* 22-cv-01119. Accordingly, I will not be available for the August 25<sup>th</sup> pre-trial conference. As I have been lead counsel on this case since April of 2022, I believe it is important for me to be present at the pre-trial conference to deal with any issues that arise and participate in trial discussions.

Plaintiff's counsel consents this request and has advised he is available on September 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>. Defense counsel is also available on both of those dates.

Thank you for the Court's courtesies in this matter.

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<sup>1</sup> Defendant is aware that September 1, 2025, is a federal holiday.

Respectfully,

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